UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

In re

Case No. 02-80848-WRS Chapter 13

TERRY LEE STOWE,

Debtor

**MEMORANDUM DECISION** 

This case is one of seven bankruptcy cases filed by the Debtor or her spouse. On June 17, 2004, the Court entered an Order to Show Cause directed to the Debtor and her lawyer to appear and show cause why sanctions should not be imposed for their flagrant abuse of the protections afforded under the Bankruptcy Code. (Doc. 77). On July 17, 2004, the Court entered an Order to Show Cause directed to Debtor's counsel John Hitchcock to appear and show cause why sanctions should not be imposed for failure to comply with this Court's Order of June 9, 2004. (Doc. 80). The Court conducted a hearing on August 18, 2004 and found that Hitchcock had wilfully disobeyed this Court's Order of June 9, 2004 and that he had committed numerous violations of Bankruptcy Rule 9011. The Court stated that it would enter an order to require Hitchcock to pay a monetary sanction of \$1,300. Subsequently, Hitchcock informally requested reconsideration based upon his family situation. The Court conducted an in camera hearing and found good cause for granting relief from the sanctions which it had indicated would be ordered. The Court will dismiss this Chapter 13 case without further action.

Done this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2005.

/s/ William R. Sawyer United States Bankruptcy Judge

c: John F. Hitchcock, Attorney for Debtors Teresa R. Jacobs, Bankruptcy Administrator Curtis C. Reding, Trustee Debtors All Creditors